for Business

Harford County Office of Economic Development Green Business Networking Session

These programs support the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act.



EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act Overview

- EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act of 2008 is a statewide initiative to reduce overall per capita energy consumption and demand by 15% by 2015
- Utilities required to develop energy efficiency and demand response programs for all customer segments including large commercial and industrial

Programs for Business Customers

Three core programs

- Energy Solutions for Business
- 2. Small Business Lighting Solutions
- 3. Retrocommissioning (RCx)



Energy Solutions for Business Program Overview

Projects include:

- Energy efficient retrofits
- New construction
- Major renovations
- End of life equipment replacements





Energy Solutions for Business Program Element – Prescriptive

- Equipment is prequalified
- Pre determined "measure" incentives
- Pre determined eligibility criteria
- No detailed engineering analysis required



Energy Solutions for Business Program Element – Prescriptive Lighting & Controls

Prescriptive Lighting

- Incentives paid on a per fixture / control basis
- Incentives range from \$25-\$90 per fixture; \$25-\$100 per control
- May be used for limited new construction projects



New Construction Performance Lighting

- Incentives paid based on code watts/square foot (LPD) requirements for schools
- Incentives based on reducing the LPD by a minimum of 10%
- Incentives range from \$0.40 to \$0.80 per watt reduced





Energy Solutions for Business Program Element – Prescriptive

- Motors
 - 1-200 hp NEMA Premium motors
 - Incentives available for "stocked" motors
- HVAC / Chillers
 - Packaged, Split systems, PTACs, PTHPS
 - Air and water cooled chillers up to 1,000 tons single chiller installations
 - New and end of life replacements
- Variable Frequency Drives
 - 5-100 hp HVAC applications
 - Existing HVAC fan and pumping applications





Energy Solutions for Business Program Element – Prescriptive

- Refrigeration Equipment
 - Measures typically found in cafeteria kitchens
 - Vendor machine controls
- Kitchen Equipment
 - Electric food preparation equipment such as fryers, griddles and holding cabinets
 - Ice machines, reach in refrigerators and freezers
 - ENERGY STAR rated equipment



BGE Smart Energy Savers Program™

Energy Solutions for Business Program Element – Custom

- Site specific measures
- Incentives up to 50% of retrofit costs; or up to 75% of incremental costs on new construction projects
- Detailed engineering and cost analysis required
- Examples include chiller plants (multiple chillers), energy management systems, envelope improvements, etc.





Retrocommissioning Program (RCx)

- Perfect opportunity to save an additional 5-15% in existing facilities without significant capital investment!
- Incentives available to cover up to 75% of the cost of the RCx assessment and study, with a per project cap of \$15,000
- Enhanced O&M Services generally for facilities <75,000 sq ft and industrial processes
- Full RCx Services generally for facilities >75,000 sq ft,

"Quick and Easy" Areas of Opportunity

- T12 to T8 lighting retrofits; lighting controls
 - Electromagnetic ballasts already off market; T12 lamps to be phased out in 2012
 - Incentives exist now, but may be eliminated once lamps are off market
 - Use incentives now for what you'll be forced to do later!
- VFDs on HVAC fans and pumps
 - Incentives available up to \$7,000 for this simple upgrade
- Vending misers
 - Vending machines operate 24/7, but when are your buildings actually occupied?
 - Easy, "plug and play" installation
 - \$75 incentive per refrigerated control device



Questions?



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